## **PAH Summit - Sediment Evaluation Framework**

Washington Department of Ecology, 300 Desmond St, Lacey WA Meeting room - R0A32-34, located in the basement floor of the building June 6, 2007

#### 9:00 am Introductions and Meeting Purpose – Stephanie Stirling, Army Corps of Engineers

 Discuss Critical issues around the development of fresh water and marine sediment quality guidelines (SQG) for PAHs to be included in the Sediment Evaluation Framework

**9:15** am Topic 1 - Benthic issues which affect calculation of SQGs for sediments - Introductory presentation by Teresa Michelsen, Avocet Consulting:

- Best method of working with existing PAH data (individual PAHs, summed PAHs dry weight vs. oc-normalized vs. molar additivity, bulk petroleum measures)
- Alternative chemistry approaches we could be using (e.g., TPH, VPH/EPH, parent/alkylated PAHs...)
- Alternative bioassay approaches we could be using (e.g., address photosensitivity)
- Reaching consensus on above for recalculation of freshwater and marine SQGs
- Reaching consensus on above for potential future sampling/program modifications

#### 10:30 am Break

11:00 am – Topic 2 - Fish issues which may result in additional/alternative SQGs or TTLs - Introductory presentation by Lyndal Johnson, NMFS' Northwest Fisheries Science Center:

- Endpoints to be assessed/included (e.g., mortality, reproduction, growth... others?)
- Pathways direct sediment-fish and/or prey uptake more important? on which will we base calculations?
- Chemical/toxicological issues as noted above (e.g., regulate based on individual PAHs or additive?)
- State of the science regarding levels of concern
- Fish TEOs for PAHs?
- Reaching consensus on SQGs for sediments and/or benthic tissue levels

# 12:30 pm Lunch at WDOE Cafeteria

**1:30 pm Topic 3** - Bioaccumulation issues – Introductory presentation by Jeremy Buck, US Fish and Wildlife Service:

- Identify receptors (shellfish or other food items) that accumulate PAHs (or lack the ability to metabolize PAHs)
- Identify upper trophic level receptors (fish, wildlife, and human) that could be exposed to and harmed by consuming prey items containing PAHs
- Discuss TEQ approach to PAHs for assessing risk
- Discuss approach for establishing TTLs in receptors based on individual PAHs and/or TEQs
- Identify potential TTLs for PAHs and when to apply them

3:00 pm General Discussion and Issue Resolution

### 5:00 pm Adjourn

**Note about WDOE Building** - Due to security, everyone will need to sign in at the lobby, and be met/escorted to the room. WDOE has reserved up to 30 parking slots, but **carpools are encouraged.** Visitor's parking is visibly marked on the left as you come in, and if it fills, more is available a little further down the driveway.

#### Link to meeting information -

http://www.nws.usace.army.mil/PublicMenu/Doc\_list.cfm?sitename=DMMO&pagename=RSET\_PAHs